

4-20 mA Liquid Level Transmitter

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Liquid Level Transmitter Model 541*-3-* Integral Housing

Installation and Operation Instructions



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KING-GAGE LevelTRAN Level Transmitter

Two-wire sensor/transmitter provides a direct 4-20 mAdc analog electronic output signal. Fixed-range transmitter is designed specifically for hydrostatic pressure measurement for liquid level gauging.

Range Designation

The last two digits of the model number actually refer to the transmitter range. As an example, MODEL 5411-1-10 is a 0-10 psig range transmitter.

Model No. Designations



Tank Wall



Mounting Dimensions

The LevelTRAN Transmitter incorporates all associated user connections and adjustments within its integral stainless steel housing. The outlet connector boss is 1/2 NPT and furnished with a strain relief cord connector (accepts cable diameters between 0.187 in. to 0.25 in.). Mouting dimensions for the three (3) models vary in overall length only.

Allow adequate clearance for installation and removal of the transmitter. Clearance dimensions will vary depending upon type of cable/conduit connector used. **Enclosure Vent** - a polypropylene breathable vent filter is furnished installed into the housing. The transmitter should be oriented so that this vent faces downward. (Avoid prolonged direct contact of the polypropylene vent filter to high-pressure washdown or submersion in liquids.) Do not paint over or otherwise plug this vent.





Power Requirement

The LevelTRAN transmitter requires a source of DC power for operation. Minimum excitation voltage must be no less than 18 VDC. Any receiver installed on the signal loop (meters, data loggers, controllers, etc.) must be taken into account when determining the required power supply voltage to be used. The internal resistance of each device added together represents the total "load" residing on the signal loop circuit.

Load Capacity = <u>(Supply Voltage - 18)</u> (OHMS) .02

Load Capacity at Supplied Voltage

20 Vdc	24Vdc	28Vdc	32Vdc
100 ohms	300 ohms	500 ohms	700 ohms

KING-GAGE[®] tank processors and LevelBAR provide 24 Vdc excitation to power the signal loop circuit. (If the application requirement exceeds 300-ohms, an external power supply of appropriate voltage will be required.)

Signal Cabling

Signal Output

(4-20 mAdc)

Terminals

The 4-20 mA signal loop needs to be run using twisted pair (two conductor) cable. "Noise" or EMI (electromagnetic interference) does not generally create a problem since it is common to both wires in the pair and essentially cancels itself out. In most applications, non-shielded twisted pair instrumentation cable (20-22 AWG) will be suitable for the signal loop between the LevelPRO and sensor/transmitter.

+24V

4-20 mA

2-Terminal Input Connection

KING-GAGE LevelPRO multiple

tank indicators



Detail - Internal Transmitter Connections

Transmitter Adjustments

The LevelTRAN transmitter provides for the zero (trim) adjustment to be made within the transmitter housing. Test meter connections are also located within the enclosure making for simplified in-process monitoring by maintenance or operating personnel.

Zero Adjustment

Some adjustment of the transmitter "zero" setting may be periodically required. It is generally recommended that the zero output be checked at least every 12 months.

In-Process Monitoring

The milliamp output signal (4-20 mAdc) can be checked while the transmitter is installed at the tank. Test meter terminals are provided within the transmitter housing (see below) that permit accurate reading without disturbing the signal loop wiring.

Important! Set meter for DC current, mA or .001 Amp scale. Internal resistance through the meter must be 20 ohms or less. Higher resistance values will create incorrect readings on meter.

Note: Always re-install cover when done.



Replacement and Maintenance Procedures

Replacing Sensing Element Assembly

The transmitter's sensing element can be replaced in the unlikely event it becomes physically damaged. This element is available as a sub-assembly including O-ring seals (as shown). To remove, simply pull the element out of the transmitter housing, seperate the wiring connector and disconnect the vent tube. To install the replacement element, connect the wiring and secure the vent tube before inserting the assembly into the transmitter housing.

O-Ring Seals

The outer O-ring at the head of the sensing element forms the critical seal at the tank mounting and should be replaced if there are signs of physical damage (such as a cut). If replacement seal is needed, refer to the part number called out in the illustration.

The inner O-rings that seal the sensing element within housing are generally protected and should not require replacement. Part numbers are shown for reference only.



Calculating Milliamp Output

The King-Gage[®] LevelTRAN transmitter is factory-calibrated to nominal range only. Since there is no appreciable degree of span adjustment, the milliamp output of the sensor at full tank level will generally be less than 20.00 mA.

Actual output can be calculated based on total tank depth and specific gravity of the liquid product:

$$\frac{(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \times \mathbf{C}}{27.6807} = \text{Tank Pressure}$$

where ...

- **A** = Reserve (inches of depth from low point of tank to sensor)
- **B** = Full Tank (inches of depth from low point of tank to full)
- **C** = Specific Gravity of Tank Contents

Now, using the calculated tank pressure from above, the actual milliamp value at full can be determined:

 $\frac{(16 \text{ x Tank Pressure})}{\text{NOMINAL psig RANGE}} + 4 = \text{mA Output}$

Example - mA Output Calculation for Tank Gauging Application

The following example shows how the milliamp output of the sensor at full tank can be calculated. The "Reserve" represents the distance from the lowest point on the bottom of the tank to the installed sensor. "Full" is the level of contents at which the tank is filled to capacity. The liquid contents of the tank is milk @ 1.032 sp.gr. The sensor installed is a nominal 15 psig range model.

C = 1.032 (specific gravity)

A = 28 in. (reserve)

$$\frac{(400 - 28) \times 1.032}{27.6807} = 13.87 \text{ psig}$$

$$\frac{(16 \text{ x } 13.87) + 4}{15 \text{ PSIG}} = 18.79 \text{ mA}$$





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